

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **HUMAN SERVICES**

### **DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES**

#### **Notice of Availability of Grant Funds**

#### **For the Development of Supportive Housing For Consumers Discharged From State Psychiatric Hospitals with a History of Forensically-Involved Commitment**

**Take notice** that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4 and 34.6, the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) hereby announces the availability of the following grant program funds:

#### **Name of Program: Supportive Housing For Consumers Discharged From State Psychiatric Hospitals with a History of Forensically-Involved Commitment**

**Purpose:** This notice announces the availability of grant funding for the development of Supportive Housing and related services for persons on CEPP status in Ancora and Trenton State Psychiatric Hospitals, following forensically-involved commitment. This funding will provide new housing opportunities for a minimum of 25 individuals.

**Amount of funding available:** This RFP makes available \$2 million or \$80,000 per bed, on an annualized basis to serve a minimum of 25 CEPP individuals with legal issues and/or sexually problematic behaviors in enhanced Supportive Housing. Priority consideration will be given to those agencies that have already leveraged capital funding and have the ability to place consumers into new Supportive Housing units by June 30, 2012. Funding available is inclusive of rental subsidy funding.

**Organizations that may apply:** In order to be eligible for consideration for this Request for Proposals:

The applicant must be a government entity or a corporation duly registered to conduct business within the State of New Jersey.

The applicant must be a fiscally viable for-profit or non-profit organization or government entity and document demonstrable experience in successfully providing mental health support, rehabilitation, and treatment or housing services for adults with serious and persistent mental illness.

The applicant must currently meet DMHAS residential licensing standards or be capable of meeting such standards were a contract to be awarded.

The applicant must be able to demonstrate its experience in providing housing and supportive services in permanent, lease-based housing settings to the targeted mental health consumer described in this RFP.

The applicant must be willing to accept into service those consumers identified by DMHAS.

The applicant must demonstrate the ability to comply with all rules and regulations for any DMHAS program element of service proposed by the applicant.

The applicant must comply with the terms and conditions of the Department of Human Services' contracting rules and regulations as set forth in the Standard Language Document, the Contract Reimbursement Manual (CRM), and the Contract Policy and Information Manual (CPIM).

Any fiscally viable corporation, as noted above, which meets the qualifications of the Department of Human Services' Contract Policy and Information Manual, N.J.A.C. 10:3, may apply. A copy of this manual can be accessed from the webpage of the Office of Contract Policy and Management webpage at: <http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ocpm/home/resources/>.

Applicants may contact the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Contract Unit at 609-777-0628 with general questions about the requirements in these manuals.

Non-public applicants must demonstrate that they are incorporated through the New Jersey Department of State and, if applicable, provide documentation of their current non-profit status under Federal 501 (c) (3) regulations, as applicable.

**Procedure to apply:** Effective January 30, 2012, eligible and interested organizations may obtain a Request for Proposal via the Internet at: <http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhs/info/notices/> or by contacting **Cathy Boland at 609 777-0708**. Proposals must be submitted in accordance with requirements stipulated in the Request for Proposal.

**Mandatory Bidders' Conference:** A Mandatory Bidders' Conference will be conducted for interested applicants. All applicants intending to submit a proposal in response to this request must attend the mandatory Bidders' Conference on February 8, 2012. Information regarding the time and location of the bidder's conference may be found in the Request for Proposal. *Proposals submitted by an applicant not in attendance at the bidder's conference will not be considered.*

**Deadline by which all applications must be submitted:** Applications must be received by 4:00 P.M., March 19, 2012. Respondents must submit proposals electronically in PDF format. Additionally, one copy of the proposal with an original signature must be submitted and six hardcopies. No format other than the PDF and one original signed hardcopy and six hardcopies will be accepted for this RFP.

**Date by which applicants will be notified of preliminary decision to accept or reject proposal:** Applicants will be notified no later than April 27, 2012.

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Jennifer Velez, Commissioner

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